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State disciplines health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against health care providers in our state.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Division works with boards, commissions, and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency website. Click on "Look up a healthcare provider license" in the "How Do I?" section of the Department of Health website (doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Clallam County

In May 2012 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse and advanced registered nurse practitioner **Bridgett B. Kraft** (RN00067557, AP30005000-ANP) with unprofessional conduct. Kraft allegedly failed to complete more than 1,900 chart notes regarding patient care. It's also alleged that she didn't process referrals, or review lab and X-ray results, in a timely way.

Clark County

In May 2012 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Beverly Cooke** (RN00130707) with unprofessional conduct. Cooke allegedly tested positive for morphine during a drug test, and told her employer she had taken morphine.

In May 2012 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Linda C. Weinzimmer-Kirk** (RN00084119) with unprofessional conduct. Weinzimmer-Kirk allegedly falsified charts for home visits on more than one occasion.

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Grays Harbor County

In May 2012 the Nursing Commission charged licensed practical nurse **Darcy Jean Cleverly**, also known as Darcy J. Sharp (LP00057779), with unprofessional conduct. Sharp allegedly failed to comply with a previous stipulation.

Jefferson County

In May 2012 the Board of Hearing and Speech ended the probation order against hearing instrument fitter and dispenser **Daniel J. Criss** (HA00003666).

King County

In June 2012 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program ended the probation order against chemical dependency professional trainee **George F. Brummell** (CO60104516).

In May 2012 the Medical Commission ended the probation order against physician **Robert C. Ireton** (MD00018671).

In June 2012 the Denturist Program placed the credential of **Victor R. Plavsky** (DN00000296) on probation for three years. Plavsky made unlawful claims for compensation and unlawfully provided and billed for services while his license was expired.

In June 2012 the Nursing Assistant Program ended the probation order against registered nursing assistant **Ethan A. Rourke** (NA00180109).

In June 2012 the Agency Affiliated Counselor Program granted the credential of **Victoria S. Stepanova** (CG60280091) and placed it on probation for two years.

In June 2012 the East Asian Medicine Practitioner Program reinstated the credential of **Laura Marie Zanieski** (AC00002226).

Mason County

In May 2012 the Pharmacy Board ended the probation order against pharmacist **G. Amber Glass**, also known as G. Amber Andrews (PH00013577).

Pierce County

In May 2012 the Massage Program released **Quitina O. Dewey** (MA60129906) from terms and conditions set against her credential.

In June 2012 the Nursing Assistant Program reinstated the credential of certified nursing assistant **Shallem R. Green** (NC10075440) and placed it on probation for one year.

In June 2012 the Pharmacy Board ended the probation order against pharmacist **Marina L. Hradil** (PH00049495).

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In June 2012 the Medical Commission charged physician **Eric. R. Shibley** (MD60108064) with unprofessional conduct. Shibley allegedly filed false patient records saying he examined a patient and took the patient's vitals, when he hadn't. He was fired from his job for the conduct.

In June 2012 the Nursing Commission charged registered nursing assistant **Monique D. Williams** (NA00158554) with unprofessional conduct. Williams pleaded guilty in 2012 for attempting to elude a pursuing police vehicle, vehicular assault, and driving under the influence of intoxicants.

In June 2012 the Nursing Commission denied the registered nurse application of **Astrid V. Verzuu-Swadberg** (RN60143463). Verzuu-Swadberg doesn't meet minimum licensing qualifications for a registered nurse in Washington.

Skagit County

In June 2012 the Dental Commission granted the application of expanded functional dental auxiliary **Connie Aileen Holboy** (D60254520).

Snohomish County

In May 2012 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the credential of chemical dependency professional trainee **Vynessa Lenai Gray** (CO60282500) and placed it on probation for two years.

Spokane County

In May 2012 the Nursing Commission reinstated the credential of registered nurse **Julie A. Bliss** (RN00152477).

Stevens County

In May 2012 the Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Systems Program reinstated the credential of emergency medical technician **Robert Allen Rennich** (ES00115447).

Yakima County

In June 2012 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the credential of chemical dependency professional trainee **Jose Manuel Godina** (CO60277292) and placed it on probation for one year.

In May 2012 the Medical Commission ended the probation order against physician **Rosa M. Martinez** (MD00031317).

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In May 2012 the Nursing Commission placed the license of registered nurse **Beth Merle Weiss** (RN60219485) on probation for 14 months.

In May 2012 the Pharmacy Board modified the agreed order and continued the probation against pharmacist **Lacie J. Zavala** (PH00070140).

California: In June 2012 the East Asian Medicine Practitioner Program released **Alfred Laggner** (AC00002980) from terms and conditions set against his credential.

Idaho: In June 2012 the Dental Commission granted the credential of dental assistant applicant **Breanna Fern Bailiff** (D60249600).

Note to Editors: Health care providers charged with unprofessional conduct have 20 days to respond to the Department of Health in writing. The case then enters the settlement process. If no disciplinary agreement can be reached, the case will go to a hearing.

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